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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

This letter is in response to the Office action mailed October 6, 2005.

Claims 1-23 are pending are pending in the application. Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the allowance of claims 13-23 and the indication that claims 6-8 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form.

Response to Rejection of Claims under 35 U.S.C. \$102

A. Claim 1

Claim 1 is directed to an apparatus for depositing a pattern of fluid material onto a substrate moving in a machine direction. The apparatus comprises:

at least first and second nozzle units substantially aligned in a direction of alignment;

a delivery system for delivering said material to said nozzle unit:s, said delivery system comprising

a manifold having first and second supply ports located one above the other for supply of material to the nozzle units, and